Research Education Survey

An investigation on how the over-usage of smartphones affects the face-to-face verbal communication skills of RI Sec 1 students with their friends.

We are students from Raffles Institution, class 1L and we are doing an investigation on how over-usage of smartphones affect the communication skills of RI Sec 1 students with their friends. We will appreciate it if you take your time to do this survey as it will be a great help to our project. Please be reminded that your responses will be kept confidential.

A: Personal Particulars (please circle your choice)

1. Do you own a smartphone? (If yes, please continue. If no, please proceed to question 7.)

Yes / No

1. How long have you been using smartphones?

(a)1-5 months

(b)6-11 months

(c)1 year

(d)more than 1 year ( )

B: Questionnaire

1. On average, how long do you use your smartphones everyday to communicate with people i.e. SMS/Facebooking/Online chatting/Calling?

(a)Less than 1 hour

(b)1-3 hours

(c)4-6 hours

(d)6-9 hours

(e)9-12 hours

(f)more than 12 hours(please specify):\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ ( )

1. How many days a week do you communicate with people using smartphones i.e. Social Networking e.g. Facebooking/Online chatting/Video Call?

(a)Less than a day

(b)1-2 days

(c)3-4 days

(d)5-6 days

(e)Everyday ( )

1. Do you think that you are more comfortable using online communication services or face-to-face real life communication? Please specify the reason why you think so.

Yes/No

1. Please rank the following uses of a smartphone according to the amount of time you spent on each one of them, starting with the longest duration:
2. Social Networking e.g. Facebooking,Twitter, MSN (2)Gaming (3)Music (4)Video Chat (5)Others(if any, please specify):\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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1. Do you prefer to talk to someone you know online or face-to-face?
2. Online
3. Face-to-face
4. How many hours a day do you communicate verbally with your friends? (Face to face)

(a)Less than 1 hour

(b)1-3 hours

(c)4-5 hours

(d)6 hours and more ( )

1. Do you feel that the over-usage of smartphones will affect real life communication skills with friends? And why or why not?

Yes/No With over-usage of smartphones, people will spend more time with their gadgets and therefore socialize lesser with others.

Do you find it harder to talk to others face-to-face because of the over-usage of smartphones, either by yourself or the other party?

Yes/No

1. What do you think is the best way to overcome this problem?

The best way is to practice self-control over oneself and limit oneself to the amount of time spent on smartphones.

☺ THANK YOU FOR COMPLETING OUR SURVEY!!!! ☺